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BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Annual Reports for the Year Ended December 31, 2004, Filed by
Interexchange Carriers and Other Selected Entities on a Confidential
Basis

INFORMATION REGARDING CONFIDENTIAL FILINGS

This information is being provided to assist interexchange carriers (IXCs) and other selected entities who wish to request confidential handling of portions of their Interexchange Carriers and Other Selected Alternative Telecommunications Utility-Other Telecommunications Provider Entities (ARW) annual reports. The statutory filing date for the ARW annual report covering 2004 calendar year operations was April 1, 2005; six IXCs and other selected entities were required to file this report for the 2004 calendar year.¹ The Commission has the authority to compel the filing of this annual report pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.499 or other applicable provisions of Wis. Stat. ch. 196.

The 2004 ARW annual report is contained in the 2004 Web Annual Report Program for ARW, CMR, CTV, RES, and OTH-No Activity in Wisconsin Providers. The 2004 ARW annual report² essentially requires information identical to that requested in the 2003 ARW annual report. For the 2004 ARW annual report program, released on January 5, 2005, the Commission

¹ All IXCs and other selected entities have filed the required 2004 ARW annual report with the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin. Those entities do not need to take any additional action at this time.

² The 2004 ARW annual report also requires IXCs and other entities to report all dollar amounts to the nearest thousand dollars. (Example: \$130,000 should be reported as \$130. Dollar signs or commas should not be typed when entering dollar amounts or numbers in the program.)

Information Regarding 2004 ARW Annual Report Confidential Filings

has continued a paperless filing process; the web-based application does not require the downloading of a program to the annual report user's computer. Each IXC and selected entity required to file the 2004 ARW annual report was sent a letter dated February 9, 2004, containing a password³ to be used to access the ARW annual report program for completion and filing of the ARW annual reports. The 2004 ARW program does not contain capability allowing users to file any portion of the report on a confidential basis. Unless an IXC or selected entity desires provisional confidential treatment of any portion of the 2004 ARW annual report, all 2004 ARW annual report filings must be accomplished via the ARW web-based application.⁴

Filing of the 2004 ARW annual report using the web-based application will result in the entire report being available to the public. Any IXC or selected entity wishing to file a portion of its 2004 ARW annual report on a confidential basis should note the particular procedures, as detailed on the Commission's web page, which must be followed for a manual annual report filing. IXCs or selected entities wishing confidential handling must submit a request, in accordance with Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.12, as part of their ERF manual filing. Subsequent to such manual filing, the Commission will issue a confidentiality determination in accordance with the rule. If the Commission denies a request for confidential handling, the information will

³ If a user has misplaced the annual report password, a feature has been added to the Commission's web page allowing the primary contact or annual report filer of the most recent annual report to request the password via e-mail.

⁴ Commission web-page instructions direct that if a user desires provisional confidential treatment, the user should not electronically file the annual report. Instead, the user should follow the required manual filing procedures posted on the Commission's web page (<http://psc.wi.gov>) for filing via the Electronic Regulatory Filing (ERF) System.

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be handled confidentially until 14 days after the determination, after which it will be posted on the Commission's website along with the remainder of the annual report.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, June 9, 2005

For the Commission:

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